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## **Cape Cod National Seashore News Release**

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### **CAPE COD NATIONAL SEASHORE HUNTING PROGRAM: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT EARLY PLANNING AND INFORMATION MEETING**

**May 11, 2004, 5:30-8:00 p.m.**  
**Nauset Regional Middle School**  
**70 Route 28**  
**Orleans, MA 02653**

The National Park Service (NPS) is beginning the planning process for preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) regarding the ongoing hunting policy at Cape Cod National Seashore (CCNS), Cape Cod, Massachusetts. At the meeting, information will be made available to the public regarding the NPS hunting policy at CCNS. The EIS process will be discussed, and the public will be asked for input regarding hunting related issues. A Notice of Intent will be published shortly in the Federal Register announcing that the scoping process will begin to determine possible hunting policy alternatives.

The NPS has initiated studies to investigate issues relating to the effects of the hunting program on natural resources, economic resources, social influences, and other NPS operations. There will be ample opportunities over the coming months for public input through various informational and scoping meetings, and a draft EIS will be circulated toward the end of the year for public review and comment.

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The NPS is seeking public comments and input on the project and will provide information and education regarding the hunting policy at Cape Cod National Seashore. Questions or comments regarding this meeting should be made to:

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Comments may also be mailed electronically to [nancy\\_finley@nps.gov](mailto:nancy_finley@nps.gov) (note underline between first and last name). The early planning and information meeting will be held beginning at 5:30 pm until 8:00 pm on May 11, 2004, at the Nauset Middle School, located at 70 Route 28, Orleans, MA 02653. Representatives from the Massachusetts Division of Fish and Wildlife will also be presenting information.

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